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UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

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| Attorney Docket No. | 8403.979 |
| First Inventor | Donald E. Weder |
| Title | METHOD OF COVERING A FLOWER POT AND FLORAL GROUPING |
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)

2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3. Specification [Total Pages 70]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description -Redline Specification ____ pgs
- Claim(s) -Clean Specification ____ pgs
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 10]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]

- a. Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

- a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. paper
- c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)

11. English Translation Document (if applicable)

12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations

13. Preliminary Amendment

14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)

15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)

16. Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.

17. Other: See Below

18. This application is:

 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.: 10/261,852

Prior application information:

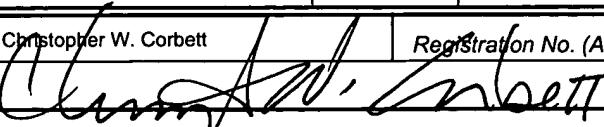
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Group Art Unit: 3726

 As a CON, DIV, or CIP, this application contains one or more changes to (1) the specification; (2) drawings; or (3) claims in the above-identified prior application. A red-line version of the application showing these changes will be made available to the examiner upon request.

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17) 1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal (1 page); 2. Fee Transmittal (1 page) Authorizing the Commissioner to charge indicated fees of **\$770.00** for basic filing fee, or any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 and/or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account Name Dunlap, Coddling & Rogers, P.C.; 3. Patent Application Fee Determination Record (1 page); 4. Complete Application for Publication (70 pages) (Continuation of USN 10/261,852, filed 09/30/2002) including: (A) Specification (65 pages); (B) 8 Claims (4 pages); (C) Abstract (1 page); (D) 2 pages of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (from prior application); and (E) 10 sheets of formal drawings with labels identifying indicia (37 CFR 1.84(c)); 5. Remarks Accompanying the Complete Application for Publication (74 pages); 6. 8 sheets of Redline Drawings; 7. Information Disclosure Statement (4 pages); 8. Form PTO-1449 (5 pages); 9. Notice of Filing Continuation (1 page); and 10. Return Receipt Postcard.

*The Assignment for this case is the same as recorded in the prior application at Reel 7795, Frame 0753, as well as the Power of Attorney and 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement.

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 770)

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| First Named Inventor | Donald E. Weder |
| Examiner Name | D. Bryant |
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity | Small Entity | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------|
| 1001 770 | 2001 385 | Utility filing fee | 770 | | |
| 1002 340 | 2002 170 | Design filing fee | | | |
| 1003 530 | 2003 265 | Plant filing fee | | | |
| 1004 770 | 2004 385 | Reissue filing fee | | | |
| 1005 160 | 2005 80 | Provisional filing fee | | | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 770) | | | | | |

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

| Total Claims | Independent Claims | Multiple Dependent | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------|----------|
| 8 | 2 | | ** = | X | \$0 |
| | | | ** = | X | \$0 |
| | | | | | \$0 |

| Large Entity | Small Entity | Fee Description |
|---------------------|--------------|--|
| 1202 18 | 2202 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 1201 86 | 2201 43 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 290 | 2203 145 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 1204 86 | 2204 43 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 1205 18 | 2205 9 | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |
| SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 0) | | |

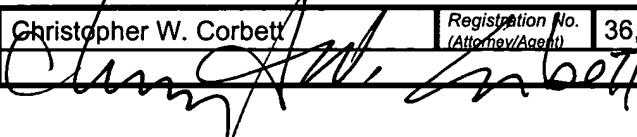
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Large Entity | Small Entity | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--|---------------|-----------------|----------|
| 1051 130 | 2051 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | | | |
| 1052 50 | 2052 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | | | |
| 1053 130 | 1053 130 | Non-English specification | | | |
| 1812 2,520 | 1812 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | | | |
| 1804 920* | 1804 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | | | |
| 1805 1,840* | 1805 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | | | |
| 1251 110 | 2251 55 | Extension for reply within first month | | | |
| 1252 420 | 2252 210 | Extension for reply within second month | | | |
| 1253 950 | 2253 475 | Extension for reply within third month | | | |
| 1254 1,480 | 2254 740 | Extension for reply within fourth month | | | |
| 1255 2,010 | 2255 1,005 | Extension for reply within fifth month | | | |
| 1401 330 | 2401 165 | Notice of Appeal | | | |
| 1402 330 | 2402 165 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | | | |
| 1403 290 | 2403 145 | Request for oral hearing | | | |
| 1451 1,510 | 1451 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | | | |
| 1452 110 | 2452 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | | | |
| 1453 1,330 | 2453 665 | Petition to revive - unintentional | | | |
| 1501 1,330 | 2501 665 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | | | |
| 1502 480 | 2502 240 | Design issue fee | | | |
| 1503 640 | 2503 320 | Plant issue fee | | | |
| 1460 130 | 1460 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | | | |
| 1807 50 | 1807 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) | | | |
| 1806 180 | 1806 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | | | |
| 8021 40 | 8021 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | | | |
| 1809 770 | 2809 385 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) | | | |
| 1810 770 | 2810 385 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | | | |
| 1801 770 | 2801 385 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | | | |
| 1802 900 | 1802 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | | | |
| Other fee (specify) _____ | | | | | |
| *Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid | | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 0) | | | | | |

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| PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD | | | | | Application or Docket Number 8403.979 | |
|--|---|----------------|---|------------------|--|----------------------------|
| CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I (Column 1) (Column 2) | | | | | SMALL ENTITY | OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY |
| FOR | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | FEES | RATE | FEES |
| BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a)) | | | | \$ 0 | | \$ 0 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c)) | 8 | minus 20 = * 0 | x \$ 9 = | 0 | OR x \$ 18 = | 0 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b)) | 2 | minus 3 = * 0 | x 43 = | 0 | OR x 86 = | 0 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d)) 0 | | | + 140 = | 0 | OR + 280 = | 0 |
| | | | TOTAL | 0 | OR TOTAL | 0 |
| * If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2 | | | | | | |
| CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II (Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3) | | | | | SMALL ENTITY | OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY |
| AMENDMENT A | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA | RATE | ADDI- TIONAL FEE |
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| | Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b)) | * | Minus *** 3 | = 0 | x 43 = | 0 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d)) | | | | | + 140 = | 0 |
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| | | | | | ADDITIONAL FEE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
| AMENDMENT B | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA | RATE | ADDI- TIONAL FEE |
| | Total (37 CFR 1.16(c)) | * | Minus ** | = | x \$ 9 = | 0 |
| | Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b)) | * | Minus *** | = | x 43 = | 0 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d)) | | | | | + 140 = | 0 |
| | | | | | TOTAL | 0 |
| | | | | | ADDITIONAL FEE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
| AMENDMENT C | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA | RATE | ADDI- TIONAL FEE |
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| | Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b)) | * | Minus *** | = | x 43 = | 0 |
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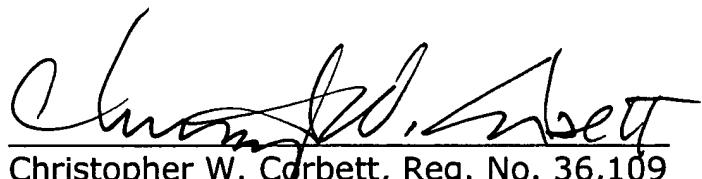
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